# STANDARD MAIL AND PERIODICALS DESTINATION ENTRY COST MODELS

#### I. PREFACE

## A. Purpose and Content

USPS-FY14-13 documents the destination entry cost avoidance estimates for Standard Mail and Periodicals.

#### **B. Predecessor Document**

Last year, the predecessor model for Standard Mail was presented in USPS-FY13-13, but the model has been updated in accordance with Docket No. RM2015-3, Proposal Ten.

The predecessor model for Periodicals was presented in Docket No. ACR2013, USPS-FY13-13.

# C. Corresponding Non-Public or Public Document

There is no non-public document that corresponds to USPS-FY14-13.

# D. Methodology

The Standard Mail and Periodicals destination entry cost models rely on the same methodologies presented in Docket No. RM2015-3, Proposal Ten and Docket No. ACR2013, USPS-FY13-13, respectively.

## E. Inputs / Outputs

The Standard Mail destination entry cost avoidance estimates are calculated using the following inputs:

Input Description
Standard Mail total pieces and pounds
Volume variability factors Premium pay factors Other mail processing wage rate Overhead factors
Productivity data Parcel mail characteristics data

USPS-FY14-14	Entry profile data by facility / container type Pieces per sack, tray, and pallet
USPS-FY14-24 USPS-FY14-25	Cost segment 8 piggyback factor Operations specific piggyback factors
USPS-FY14-32	Cost segment 8 and 14 data
2014 RPW	Basic Carrier Route pieces and pounds by shape
Docket No. R2000-1, USPS-T-27	Transportation adjustment factor
Docket No. R97-1, USPS-LR-H-105	Sacks per pallet Trays per pallet
Docket No. R97-1, USPS-LR-H-111	Flow path proportions
Docket No. R97-1, USPS-LR-H-195	Sacks per pallet Trays per pallet
Docket No. MC95-1, Exhibit USPS-T-9B	Flow paths

The Standard Mail destination entry cost avoidance outputs are relied upon to develop the discounts and passthrough values contained in USPS-FY14-3. They are also used to develop the enhanced carrier route (ECR) cost estimates contained in USPS-FY14-18.

The Periodicals destination entry cost avoidance estimates are calculated using the following inputs:

Input Source	Input Description
USPS-FY14-1	Periodicals pieces per pound
USPS-FY14-7	Volume variability factors Premium pay factors Other mail processing wage rate
USPS-FY14-14	Pieces per sack and pallet Percentages in sacks and on pallets
USPS-FY14-23	MODS productivity data

USPS-FY14-25 Operations specific piggyback factors

Docket No. R2006-1, Volume percentage bypassing DADC

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Docket No. R97-1, Productivity data

USPS-LR-H-111 Container conversion factors

Flow percentages

Docket No. R97-1, Productivity data

USPS-LR-H-132

Docket No. MC95-1, SCF mechanization percentage

Exhibit USPS-T-11U

Docket No. R94-1, NDC realization factor

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Docket No. R90-1, Volume percentage flowing from NDC to SCF Exhibit USPS-T-12B Volume percentage flowing from NDC to DU

The Periodicals cost avoidance outputs are relied upon to develop the discounts and passthrough values contained in USPS-FY14-3.

### **II. ORGANIZATION**

The Standard Mail transportation and non-transportation cost avoidance estimates by shape are presented in the Microsoft Excel workbook 'USPS-FY14-13.STD.xlsx' in the spreadsheet tab entitled 'Summary' (page 1). Data sources are referenced in each spreadsheet throughout the workbook. The results are also reported in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Standard Mail Destination Entry Cost Avoidance Estimates

Cost Element	Letter	Flat	Parcel	Total
	Cost Per Pound	Cost Per Pound	Cost Per Pound	Cost Per Pound
Transportation DDU DSCF DNDC	\$0.3912	\$0.3103	\$0.9429	\$0.3393
	\$0.3562	\$0.2703	\$0.7811	\$0.3006
	\$0.3138	\$0.2403	\$0.6056	\$0.2661
Non-Transportation DDU DSCF DNDC	\$0.0371 \$0.0194 \$0.0073	\$0.0125 \$0.0070 \$0.0037	\$0.0302 \$0.0143 \$0.0069	\$0.0208 \$0.0112 \$0.0049
Total DDU DSCF DNDC	\$0.4282 \$0.3756 \$0.3211	\$0.3229 \$0.2773 \$0.2440	\$0.9731 \$0.7955 \$0.6125	\$0.3601 \$0.3118 \$0.2710

The Periodicals non-transportation cost avoidance estimates are presented in the Microsoft Excel workbook 'USPS-FY14-13.PER.xlsx' in the spreadsheet tab entitled 'Summary' (page 1). Data sources are referenced in each spreadsheet throughout the workbook. The results are also reported in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Periodicals Destination Entry Cost Avoidance Estimates

Cost Element	Cost Per Pound
Non-Transportation DADC DSCF	\$0.0059 \$0.0294
DDU	\$0.0636